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NOTICE OF PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

DRAFT REMOVAL ACTION WORKPLAN ROOSEVELT II ELEMENTARY SCHOOL SAN BERNARDINO, CALIFORNIA

Public Comment Period: April 10 to May 9, 2008

WHAT IS BEING PROPOSED?

The California Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC) invites public comment on the Draft Removal Action Workplan (RAW) for the San Bernardino City Unified School District (SBCUSD) proposed Roosevelt II Elementary School site (Site). This Draft RAW describes the removal and off-site lawful disposal of approximately 72 cubic yards (108 tons) of lead and arsenic contaminated soil from the Site. The proposed Site is located at 1427-1599 North Mount Vernon Avenue in San Bernardino. During the Site investigations, lead and arsenic were detected in shallow soils in concentrations exceeding DTSC health risk levels for school sites. Therefore, SBCUSD proposes to lawfully remove the contaminated soil and transport it to a permitted off-site disposal facility. The soil removal is expected to take place as early as March 2009. DTSC has prepared a draft Notice of Exemption (NOE) for this soil removal pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA). This project is considered exempt since it will not have a significant negative impact on the human health and the environment due to the relatively short duration and the controlled manner in which the contaminated soils will be excavated, loaded onto trucks and taken off-site for lawful disposal/treatment.

HOW DO I PARTICIPATE?

This notice is to provide the interested community an opportunity to learn more about the project and submit comments to DTSC regarding the proposed cleanup during a 30-day public comment period that starts on April 10, 2008 and ends on May 9, 2008. Your participation is encouraged. Comments concerning the draft RAW may be submitted in writing to Amit Pathak, Project Manager, at the DTSC address listed below, and must be postmarked by **May 9, 2008.**

WHERE DO I GET MORE INFORMATION?

A copy of the Draft RAW and other project documents are available at: San Bernardino City Unified School District reception counter, 777 N. F Street, San Bernardino, CA 92410.,and at the Norman F. Feldheym Central Library, 555 W.5th St., San Bernardino, CA 92410 Also, all site documents and the full Administrative Record pertaining to this project are available for review during office hours at the DTSC Regional Records Office, 5796 Corporate Avenue, Cypress, CA 90630. Contact: Julie Johnson at (714) 484-5337.

CONTACT:

If you have any questions or wish to discuss the project, please contact Jeanne Matsumoto, DTSC Public Participation Specialist, at (866) 495-5611, press option 4 or e-mail: jmatsumo@dtsc.ca.gov; or Amit Pathak, DTSC Project Manager, at (714) 484-5468 or email: apathak@dtsc.ca.gov.

Si desea información en español, comuníquese con: Jeanne Garcia, Funcionario Información del Pública del DTSC, al (818) 717-6573.